

## Confusion Mars Senior Elections Monaghan Takes Presidency

by Paul Brady

Recent controversy surrounding the election of a senior class president has not only served to frustrate some candidates, but it has also highlighted a need for stringent election guidelines.

"I'm disgusted with the whole situation and I'm going to let the administration know about it," a disillusioned Jeff Stallard said of the election foul-ups.

Stallard was one of five candidates that ran for senior class president. Tom Kilday, Mike Filosi, Winifred Monaghan and Anthony Rota (a write-in) were the other presidential hopefuls.

Election trouble began when Monaghan approached the Student Affairs office concerning a mass mailing to solicit votes from the student body. Monaghan, who submitted the letter to the Student Affairs office, cited that she didn't realize that there was a problem with the mailing initially.

However, when Stallard requested to do a similar mailing he was turned down. Apparently, as members of SGA cited, the letter Monaghan submitted "went under the assumption that the mass mailing was for SGA or Commuter Board business," SGA President Pat Mack stated.

According to Lon Vickers, dean of Student Affairs, the mailing error was due to "a new employee" of the Student Affairs office. He added, "If we had known it was for election

purposes, we would have never authorized it."

With verbal protests from candidate Stallard, who lost the election to Monaghan (35-27), Election Committee Chairman Marlene Bell decided to hold a second election. However, the second election was no improvement over the first.

According to SGA President Pat Mack, a "logistics problem" with the vote tally caused more problems for presidential candidates. The blunder itself was obvious. With 72 ballots cast, SGA members discovered that there were only 68 names checked off their list of student voters, thereby voiding the election. Mack added that the problem was, "completely and entirely our fault."

Round three of the senior class election, however, proceeded without incident. Monaghan, who lost the previous election to Stallard (26-24), edged Stallard by a wide margin in the final election (42-26).

As a direct result of the election problems, SGA is adding two specific guidelines to the "Rules for Candidates."

One guideline states, "Mass mailings and any other forms of random campus mailings are prohibited" by candidates. The other guideline, which primarily deals with the write-in candidates, mandates these candidates to abide by the same rules set for nominated candidates. However, they are not allowed speakers time on candidate hour.

## WXPL Day Hits High Note

by Samantha Beres

"Who is buried in Buddy Holly's Grave?" asked morning DJ. Lisa Peters as she flipped through records looking for her next selection.

After a few minutes of questioning among the crowd, someone from a nearby couch yelled out, "Buddy Holly." Many laughed and the DJ continued on with her show during last Thursday's "G-Lobby Day," put on by FSC radio station WXPL.

G-Lobby was more crowded than usual as WXPL took to the lobby of the Hammond Building from 10:00 to 2:00. Students be-bopped by the turntable, mixer and speakers shaking their heads and hips from side to side. Some stopped by to have a WXPL lollipop and see what all the commotion was about.

WXPL gave out free lollipops, frisbees and prizes (choice of records) to people that answered David Snow's trivia questions correctly. Snow, the afternoon DJ., took over for Peters at noon.

Jim Stoddard, an FSC sophomore

won his choice of five records and a frisbee for answering one of the trivia questions. Other students made requests for WXPL's unique music, labeled as progressive, that is usually played by the station.

"Oh, I like this song. Do you know who sings this?" asked an FSC student to the person next to him. "I like any kind of music," said another student enjoying "Space Walking the Dog."

The WXPL crew put a lot of work into G-Lobby day. Michelle Burke, arts and entertainment director, handled advertising previous to the event. Station manager Tom Tierney hooked up the wiring in the morning while Tom Kilday and Wendy Rich helped to set up, which took an hour and a half.

Rich, public relations director, was in charge of posters, frisbees, lollipops and the organization and music director T.J. Welch supplied the records for the day.

This was WXPL's second G-Lobby day and is an event that will take place every semester.

## A Time to Celebrate



Strobe photo by Matt Datillo

The Falcons celebrate at North Adams after Andy Kramer's penalty kick found its way into the net.

## Falcon Booters Make NCAA Tourney

by Matt Datillo

Think about the word "do." Really think about it. Now add the words "or die" and make it that cliché phrase that we all know and love.

A two-hour bus ride to North Adams State gave the Falcon soccer team ample time to contemplate that idea. The 1987 soccer season came down to a one regular season, do-or-die situation against an extremely tough NASC Mohawk soccer team. In order to qualify for post-season play both teams needed this one game. Fortunately the Falcons did not die as they edged out North Adams 1-0.

Early in the second half, with the game still scoreless, forward Jim Kramer was tripped by a North Adams player. This, in turn, produced the most important indirect kick in Falcon soccer history to date.

Halfback Mike Lee crossed the ball towards the left corner of the goal area where forward Matt Shea headed the ball towards the net. The North Adams goalie was not in position to make the save. The ball, however, did not make it into the net. A Mohawk fullback used his hand in desperation to deflect the ball out of the net, resulting in a penalty shot.

At 45:58 time was stopped for co-captain Andy Kramer to go one-on-one with North Adams goaltender Pat Stimpson in the intense guessing game that is a penalty shot. After a minute or so of intense concentration (and some prayer) the ball sat in the back right corner of the net.

The Falcons went nuts, the 20 or so loyal (and outnumbered) FSC fans screamed, hooted and high-fived and coach Malcolm MacPherson smiled.

Now the intensity picked up.

North Adams attacked and attacked but the Falcon defense held tough. Both teams were physical and the determination of both squads made it that much more physical. There was one scare when a particular Mohawk defender kicked winning goalie Bob Jacobs (14 saves) when he was slow getting up after one play. Co-captain Tom Capobianco again anchored the sometimes unsung Falcon defense. Eric Peterson and George Malone were but two of the standouts on the field.

The Falcons now stand up against conference rival Salem State in NCAA tournament play. Earlier in the season FSC bowed to Salem 2-1 at Salem. Salem also has the advantage of tournament experience and home field. This is the first time that a FSC soccer squad has made the NCAA's. Two years ago, they made the ECAC's.

## Scholar to Deliver Lecture

## Understanding Beyond War

by Tracy Marion

Pauline Maier, one of the nation's foremost scholars on American Colonial History, will deliver a free public lecture at FSC on Nov. 17.

The lecture, part of a yearlong college series celebrating the bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution, will begin at 8 p.m. in the Arts Lecture Hall of the Conlon Music Building.

A professor of history at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Maier is the author of "From Resistance to Revolution: Colonial Radicals and the Development of American Opposition to Britain, 1765-1776." She has published widely on issues related to 19th century American history.

In addition to her writings for academic journals, Maier contributes articles and book reviews to the *New York Times Book Review*, the *New Republic* and other publications. Her current research focuses on American society and how the tradition of 1776 shaped relationships between the Revolution and the Civil War.

A graduate of Radcliffe College, she was a Fulbright Scholar at the London School of Economics. She earned her doctoral degree in American history from Harvard. This year, she was awarded an honorary doctorate from Regis College.

The organization *Beyond War* asserts that "we the people" need to make a decision about war, and regard this as the challenge of the 1988 election. The two choices are to *destroy civilization*, or to *build a world beyond war*. *Beyond War* constituents maintain the belief that the search for answers (to the nuclear war/weapons debate) begins with people asking questions, and not by them being told—educating and learning leads to deciding.

On Oct. 24, *Beyond War* aired by satellite the culmination of research and interviews. A key question raised was, "How will we co-exist with the Soviet Union?" Two reasons were given as to why *Beyond War* has worked: First, both the U.S. and the USSR have decided on a common

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# EDITORIAL

## Heed Our Residence Halls

With newly renovated Herlihy and Aubuchon residence halls, it's no surprise things are looking better than in the past.

Renovations aside, take a good look. These buildings are cleaner, smell better and are less damaged. According to the September damage list for Russell Towers, damage was down \$300 from last September's bill. There is still more to go but it is a marked improvement.

In the past, one would be very cautious before entering one of these buildings after a weekend. Now, there is a clear path free of trash, damaged furniture, and debris through the halls.

"Students are making less of a mess," said housekeeper Pam Gould, "and things would have looked a lot better if we had a chance to do the floors this past summer."

Not only are the residents, staff and parents noticing but the resident directors recently received kudos from President Mara at an administrators meeting about the excellent condition of the buildings.



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## Announcements...

Mr. Jeff Epperly of the AIDS Action Committee will be talking about the medical and social implications of AIDS in the Campus Center Lecture Hall on Thursday, Nov. 12 at 1:30 p.m.

S.A.M. (The Society for the Advancement of Management) will be having a Lip Sync Contest on Nov. 18. Winners will receive cash prizes! For more details, look for posters in G-Lobby.

The FSC Women in Today's Society program will present a free public seminar on "Families Developing Together: Issues of the First Three Years," on Oct. 28 at 7 p.m. in the Arts Lecture Hall of the Conlon Music Building.

There will be a memorial mass for Sergio Costa Monday, Nov. 16 at 9 p.m. at the Newman Center Chapel.

In association with National Nuclear Awareness week (Nov. 9—15), Dr. Shirley Wagner will be showing three films concerning these issues on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 3:30 in the Campus Center Lecture Hall.

Russell Towers presents "R.T. TV Week" Nov. 9—12. Monday night will feature "The David Letterman Show;" Tuesday is "Family Feud," Wednesday is "Puttin' on the Hits" and Thursday is "American Bandstand." All events start at 7 p.m. in A2 lounge of Russell Towers and is open to the public.

"The Psychic Realm" will be the topic for discussion at the FSC Newman Center on Wednesday, Nov. 18, from 6—7:30 p.m. Among the issues to be addressed will be the validity of the Ouija Board, Extra Sensory Perception and dream interpretation. All are invited to attend.

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# FEATURES

## Peace Cannot Be Ignored

by Mary Coyle

Living in the nuclear age forces us to confront political, emotional and often fearful issues. Maintaining peace is of vital importance today. However it often seems that we have little control over political decisions which affect our lives.

Many times peace marches or demonstrations are not adequately fulfilling or fail to yield the desired results. Then, what can we do? Some people have channelled their energies into creating Beyond War, an organization committed to changing attitudes towards war.

This is not an anti-war organization but is instead a non-partisan, non-political, non-profit organization working to influence people's attitudes towards war and ultimately the decision making processes of our politicians.

The organization does not focus on the negative, like many anti-war groups, but instead focuses on what we as citizens can do in a positive sense to promote a new thinking towards war.

Beyond War representative Winslow Myers explains, "nuclear weapons have made all war obsolete; war simply cannot happen in the

nuclear age." According to Myers, "we are the government" and following the democratic tradition our politicians are expected to "administer what we want."

Dialogue between citizens, citizens and politicians, and between people across the globe is important to Beyond War. Dialogue between citizens is being achieved through the many sessions of Beyond War members in innumerable communities across the nation.

Dialogue between citizens and politicians has recently taken the form of meetings, some of them detailed meetings, between Beyond War representatives and many of the 1988 presidential candidates. Politicians are beginning to take Beyond War seriously; a positive step in the right direction.

Dialogue between citizens across the globe has materialized in events such as a Five Continent Space Bridge broadcast and six weeks of talks with political leaders and citizens in Central America.

With the Central American phase of this year's program recently completed, Beyond War is currently moving into its second phase which focuses on U.S.—U.S.S.R. relations.

An important milestone in Beyond

War's achievements culminated with the recent publication of "Breakthrough: Emerging New Thinking," a book written by distinguished Soviet and Western scholars on the issues of creating a world beyond war.

Since dialogue on the social, national and international level is what keeps Beyond War innovative, periodic "downlinks" are broadcasted after each phase of the program is completed. These "downlinks" are reports of the Beyond War members and concerned citizens throughout America concerning the progress of the organization. The last "downlink" involving 25,000 people across America on Oct. 24 was broadcast at FSC with the help of Winslow Myers and other Beyond War representatives. The broadcast reviewed the Central American project and the recent book and previewed the Soviet-American project.

Changing attitudes towards war and ultimately eliminating war seems like a colossal task and will probably not be achieved in our life time. However, each step truly matters as does an organization like Beyond War.



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## Scott Filosi Takes Bodybuilding Competition



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Scott Filosi now holds the title of "Natural Teen Mr. New England."

## He's a Natural

by Andy Gobeil

Sunday, Oct. 25 was the day all the lifting, dieting and sacrificing paid off for FSC's Scott Filosi. On that day, Filosi was named "Natural Teen Mr. New England," in an AAU sponsored bodybuilding competition. Filosi capped off the daylong event with an impressive performance in the evening's show.

Filosi, a resident assistant in Russell Towers, explained that the competition consisted of a day long prejudging section. As judges call for mandatory poses, contestants were scored on body symmetry, definition and size.

Ninety percent of the competition was scored in the prejudging area while the other 10 percent was scored in the show, which was the final part of the competition. In that show, contestants performed a 90-second posing routine set to music.

Filosi had nothing but kudos for his trainers and the Fitchburg Weightlifting Club.

"Paul and Peter have supported me from the day I first went into the gym," he said. "They helped build me up from 165 to 205 pounds."

Filosi also remarked on his parents' and girlfriend's tremendous support. "Without them," he said, "I know I couldn't have done as well as I have."

The sophomore from Holden has had to juggle his duties as a student, RA and weightlifting competitor very carefully and credits his time management skills as helping him considerably.

Filosi, however, has a negative attitude about the possibilities of steroids as a shortcut to "...all the training. I can't say that I haven't thought about them," he said, but he believes the benefits of going drug-free far outweigh the benefits of steroids.

"Steroids contradict the spirit of bodybuilding. Bodybuilding is designed to improve yourself and I don't see how taking drugs helps that improvement," he concluded.

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Julia,  
Isn't it terrible that our allergies  
don't allow us to get flowers?  
Di

To the new Hawks-Congratulations

Kevin  
Hip Happen'.. Hey!

Strobe staff-Keep up the Good  
Work

Close the door please!!  
C. Everett Hobbs

Mud, keep practicing your trivia  
Love, Todd

Vic,  
Tell me what ya think.

P.E.M., Relax!

Anyone want some apples?

Joe, Close your mouth while  
eating crackers.  
Signed: Straight Vodka

To squid man,  
You can do it! We love you!  
The Honda CVCC

To TH104  
Thanks for the laughs, the hospital  
visits, the talks, for being great  
roommates. I know I'm "In" when I  
get tied up with nyions!!  
T.

Oct 22, 1987. Happy 20th B-Day  
Debba! We love you.  
Lou, Lee and Paula

Weinie-  
You're gone Bozo!

Me

Been in love before, the hardest  
part is when you're in it.

To my fellow Heineken fan,  
Thanks for fun night at Slatt's, etc.  
JGS

To the Beautiful and Dateless Club,  
Just remember: it's because you're  
beautiful!

To Dan, Celia and Michelle  
Yeah, well we're all pretty foolish-  
out here in the desert and in the  
world.  
King Cayman

CLB,  
You brighten up each and every  
day that I have to face. And if the  
sun won't shine, your smile is there  
to take its place.

RJD

Katrina,  
I wicked love you!  
Love, Bill

To An Arrogant Italian,  
Get with it...I'm not going to wait  
all semester!  
Attracted

Mike C.,  
Can I please have my clothes  
back! Love, Linda

What's up Chuck? Besides our  
posters.

I love Irish guys.  
A Princess

To AJD,  
From tonight until the end of time.  
I love you.  
AML

Loyalty is the key factor to friend-  
ship.  
Myrtle Ave. residents

Help...I'm addicted to writing  
Strobe personals.

Ralph,  
When your thinking, do you do  
that with your right or left hand?  
FSC #35

To the sisters of Phi Omega Psi,  
Sorry. Things will be better next  
semester. You girls are the best!  
M

Non-humans live.  
Werf,  
NBC's Saturday morning program  
director just called to say your  
show has been added to the  
1988 lineup. Good luck.  
Bill

I hate G-Lobby potatoes.

Jeff in 215,  
Body builders are mama's boys.  
214

Wanted: A set of bagpipes to  
match my dress.

Bobo,  
So, did you find a 6'1" 140 pound  
black mens leotard yet?  
Walter Johnson

Wendy R.,  
What does PR stand for anyway?  
The little green guy from Channel  
56 commercials

J.D.,  
I miss you. I love you always.  
Love, V.Q.

Maryanne and Joanna, Get  
some sleep.  
Tina

Kevin M.,  
28 and not getting younger.

To GSW and affiliates,  
Your time is running out! We still  
mean business!

Good luck with b-ball. I knew you  
could do it!  
Love, Me

Happy belated birthday Bobby T.

Linda,  
How's your Man-ny?  
Princess

Arms, I'm watching you. I love  
what I see.

Whatever happened to the Knight  
club I used to know?

To the wild bunch,  
Luv ya, Dukie

Hi...censored!  
xoxo Herman

Men: you can't live with 'em, can't  
shoot 'em.

Chris,  
The plant will grow! Soon! I swear it  
will.  
H.

Suzi Wan,  
See, I said you'd make it through  
your midterm.  
Kermit

Dad, are you in a bad way?  
Mahatma

To the lady in red,  
I'm having the time of my life!  
Love, Jeffy

Jimbo,  
How's the new cutie?  
The big guy

Cal,  
Congrats on the hockey team.  
You deserve it.  
Luv always, your best buddy

Is there anything wrong with the  
five-year plan?

Mam,  
How are the tires?  
-Wondering

Andy,  
I...have a...quesssstion!!  
Spidey

Paul,  
You know...you're gonna look  
pretty silly with your Sony walk-  
man sticking outta your ears!  
F.O.C.

To Slickened member of Herlihy,  
Please re-submit story with your  
name.

Armand,  
TSSSSHH!

Hey Boo,  
Happy belated Halloween!  
Love, Blue

Lauren,  
Things will get better soon.  
Jeff

Hey redundant,  
Which Wilson? This one is confused...

Diane,  
How's the greek pickle? Guess  
Who?

Aaron and Terry,  
How's the larping going?  
Fred

Attention aunts of beautiful nieces:  
Sara Jane is stunning. Holly Lynn is  
beautiful.

Scotty,  
You're the best friend a person  
can have. That's for being  
therel

Silence is a virtue in TV manage-  
ment.

Need your ID burned? Call Bob!

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 11-17

WEDNESDAY,  
NOVEMBER 11

VETERAN'S DAY—NO  
CLASSES FOR DAY OR  
EVENING SCHOOL.

CAMPUS CENTER OPENS  
AT 2 PM TODAY: All  
services open at the  
following times: Info  
Desk, 2:00pm.  
Games, 2:00pm.  
Gallery, 2:00pm.  
Crafts, 3:30pm.  
Pub, 7:30pm.

FILM: "52 Pick-Up," 3:30,  
7 & 9:15pm, CCLH.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER  
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U.S. & MASS.  
CONSTITUTION EXAM:  
1:30pm, Science  
Lecture Hall.

NOONTIME NOTES: Mark  
Marquis, Piano, 1:30pm,  
Hammond Main  
Lounge.

HEALTH SERVICES  
SPEAKER: Mr. Jeff  
Epperly, "The Medical &  
Social Implications of  
AIDS," 1:30pm, CCLH.

SPEAKER: Sandy  
MacDonald,  
"How To Be A Successful  
Free Lance Writer,"  
1:30pm, T-202.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13

FRIDAY AT FITCHBURG:  
Check in at 8am,  
Hammond Main  
Lounge.

PRE-CONCERT BUFFET:  
6:30pm, Pub.

THE SPRINGFIELD  
SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA:  
8pm, Weston  
Auditorium.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER  
14

FILM: "Heartbreak  
Ridge," 3:30, 7 &  
9:15pm, CCLH.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15

MONDAY, NOVEMBER  
16

COMEDY NIGHT: 9pm,  
Pub.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17

V.A.L.S. SPEAKER: Dr.  
Pauline Maier, 8pm,  
CM-150.

ADULT CHILDREN OF  
ALCOHOLICS MEETING:  
3:30pm, B-27.



# News and Notes

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# COMMENTARY

## The Case For A Trillion-Dollar Tax

by James G. Salsman

Much space has been devoted in this column and elsewhere to the tremendous growth in the size of the federal government and its dangerous tendency to rape the productivity of our nation.

Less productivity means less economic growth, which means fewer jobs. Fewer jobs means more poverty. Those who claim to help the general welfare with bigger government are evading reality and creating more hardship, not less.

Most people agree with the idea of society helping people. However, most people don't see how large the government has become because they cannot directly see how it damages the economy.

Why is this? Many of the effects of regulations and federal spending are secondary, like the resulting inflation and unemployment. Many don't connect abstract cause and effect.

However a major reason people can't see how large their government truly is because politicians have hidden the cost with deficit borrowing and hidden taxes.

Each year government borrows hundreds of billions of dollars to pay for spending that exceeds tax revenues. This debt, now at \$2 trillion and rising, pays for bigger government, but you never see it on your tax bill.

Politicians also conceal the size of government with hidden taxes. Each year, billions of dollars are collected by taxes on liquor, cigarettes, gasoline and other products where the tax is included in the price of the item.

This is the worst tax of all, the kind which people don't even realize they're paying.

Deficit borrowing and hidden taxes finance bigger government, which harms our economy and everyday lives. Government has secretly grown beyond the consent of the governed.

So how can people learn to realize just how big a burden their government has become? If government stops using deficit borrowing and hidden taxes and instead charges everyone up front, people would learn this serious civics lesson rather quickly.

An honest president and congress would pass a bill to abolish hidden taxes and stop borrowing and instead get their money through a direct income tax increase.

This trillion-dollar tax would not be pretty. It would be based on reality—a political rarity.

The money government spends ultimately comes from working men and women. It is wealth taken from those who create it. A trillion-dollar tax would be a painful, realistic lesson that there is no such thing as a free lunch.

If arguing against programs and spending doesn't convince people that the government is too large, perhaps presenting a clear and honest pricetag will do the job.

Ironically, in the long run, a trillion-dollar tax could be the most eloquent argument in favor of limited government.

Such a tax would be an enormous burden but it is wrong to assume we are not paying that price already, in other hidden ways.

By ending borrowing and hidden taxes, by charging the US taxpayer up front, perhaps people would finally see the size of their government and try do something about it.

## Tables Turning on WXPL?

by Tony Lorenzen

The problem is this: FSC as a whole—the faculty, students and college employees—is ignoring one of its largest organizations.

The organization I'm talking about is radio station WXPL 91.3 FM. With the exception of SGA (of which all students are a member), WXPL, with 114 members, is the largest student organization on campus. These students run a radio station, one of the most adventurous undertaking of any of FSC's student organizations.

Whether we want to believe it or not, most real learning does not take place in the classroom. Student organizations are beneficial in that they provide extra environments where learning can take place.

By becoming involved with an organization, a student may gain valuable experience in whatever field they may be pursuing and gain experience in general. It seems to me that if FSC offers these organizations to students, and it should, it should also support them.

Because WXPL is an FM station, it faces outside competition not encountered by other FSC student organizations. The *Strobe* is distributed all over campus but the *Boston Globe* is not left out for sale next to it.

The Hammond Building intercom system frequently plays a radio over its current in G-Lobby and lounges. The station being played over this current is almost never WXPL. Holmes Dining Commons is equipped with a radio that was purchased with the specific purpose of playing WXPL during student dining hours.

It is rarely used for this purpose. The argument against WXPL

stems largely from the "judge a book by its cover syndrome" or "WXPL plays music we don't like."

WXPL's purpose is to educate the college community. This is the reason WXPL plays the music it does. WXPL's programming is based on "progressive," or more fittingly, "new" music. This music is different from commercial radio format in that it hasn't yet reached a large audience.

College radio is to commercial radio like a farm team is to its parent organization in baseball—a developmental area where artists prepare for the big leagues. WXPL also plays more controversial, cutting edge styles of music like heavy metal, hardcore, thrash and industrial, but this programming is aired after 6 p.m.

WXPL has lightened up the daytime programming in an effort to be more accessible to the average listener.

One would think that a college would be populated by people intelligent enough to try new things and explore new ideas. After all, how do you know you don't like it if you've never even tried it?

WXPL is proud to be part of FSC. The station identification recited every hour reads "WXPL 91.3 FM, a broadcasting service of Fitchburg State College." WXPL sweatshirts sport the design "WXPL Fitchburg State Radio 91.3 FM."

Every day WXPL airs teacher absences. Many public service announcements and promo spots are about campus activities while many FSC organizations still don't use WXPL to promote their activities.

WXPL is proud to be part of FSC but it seems the feeling is not mutual.

## A Closer Look

Access is a special group on campus that deserve a closer look.

Headed by Dr. Gail Hinand, Access is a group of eight students that has the knack for solving problems. The Access team is readily available to assist students with a variety of problems ranging from adjusting to college life to academic concerns.

Surprisingly, a number of people have no idea what Access is all about. Those that have heard of it assume that it is nothing but a counseling service. These people are missing the very essence of the Access team.

This group of eight students is working hard to make Access a campus resource that deals not only with emotional issues but also with a wide range of problems that students encounter. Access students are your peers. They know what your needs are, because they, too, share those needs.

If you need help dealing with school or just plain want some advice, Access is an outlet. The group is located on the third floor of the Hammond Building, room C303.

This dynamic group of students is really trying to make a difference. Their hard work and diligence truly enriches our college community. With all they have to offer, perhaps you should give them a closer look.

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## Beyond War

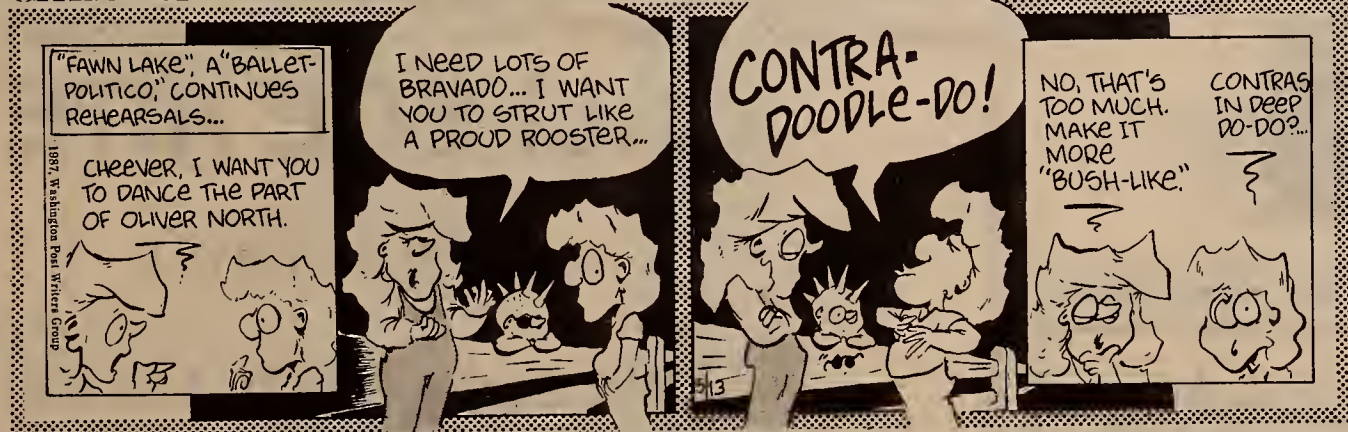
goal—the survival of all (U.S., USSR, and the rest of the world). Secondly, both have agreed that no blame should be placed on either side.

*Beyond War* is currently working on U.S./USSR relations, interviewing and talking with people in Russia. A satellite viewing of the results will be shown sometime in December, 1987.

Following the October satellite viewing, Bob Kelleher, business professor at FSC, addressed the ignorance barrier in becoming involved. He said that *Beyond War* people are willing to meet with people who are interested to offer information about the nuclear debate.

Also, a discussion group is starting on campus for students and faculty concerned with Nuclear Issues. The first meeting is being held on Nov. 18, at 3:30 p.m. in the Miller Oval Room. All FSC students and faculty are welcome.

## CHEEVERWOOD



by Michael Fry

## LETTERS

## How to Combat AIDS

To the Editor:

A survey taken at the University of Maryland was recently published in the *Christian Science Monitor*.

The survey asked students what they know about AIDS and the degree to which they are changing their sexual activities. The survey reported that most college students were pretty knowledgeable about AIDS and how it can be transmitted. The problem is, they do not seem to be doing much with that knowledge in terms of protecting themselves or changing their behavior.

The report concluded by suggesting campuses organize peer counselling by a group of students trained about the subject that would discuss AIDS where students gather, such as in dormitories. They also felt the campus

media should take on a vigorous campaign to change student behavior. Although these ideas would be helpful in the fight against AIDS, the government and the colleges could do more.

The government should regulate the testing of AIDS as done for other seriously contagious diseases, such as syphilis or gonorrhea. Physicians are obligated by law to report to the state government any patient being treated with the above mentioned venereal diseases.

The government then insures that the proper steps are taken to isolate the illness. Presently it is at the patient's own discretion if they want to tell their partners about the results of the AIDS test. Physicians strongly urge them to do so but the decision is

totally up to the patient. The need for government regulations do exist.

Mass screening is another way to control people considered at high risk of contracting AIDS. For example, government institutions, such as the Army, have effectively screened all new recruits for AIDS.

Since college for most students is a time of sexual experimentation, mass screening for AIDS upon entering college may keep it off-campus. Research shows the best way students can protect themselves is through the use of condoms. It appears that young college students are embarrassed to buy condoms, and therefore, do not.

FSC promotes "safe sex" by offering free condoms at the health department office. Why can't the

college take promoting "safe sex" one step further and place condom dispensers in the restrooms, thus minimizing embarrassment.

An appropriate slogan posted along with the dispensers would reinforce the campus media in their campaign to change student behavior and keep AIDS off the college campus.

Colleges that continue to provide new programs about AIDS will increase awareness and change in the student's sexual behavior. At the same time, the government should take a more active role in regulating the disease. By working in conjunction with the government, colleges could significantly prevent the spread of AIDS.

Sincerely,  
Rhonda Friedl





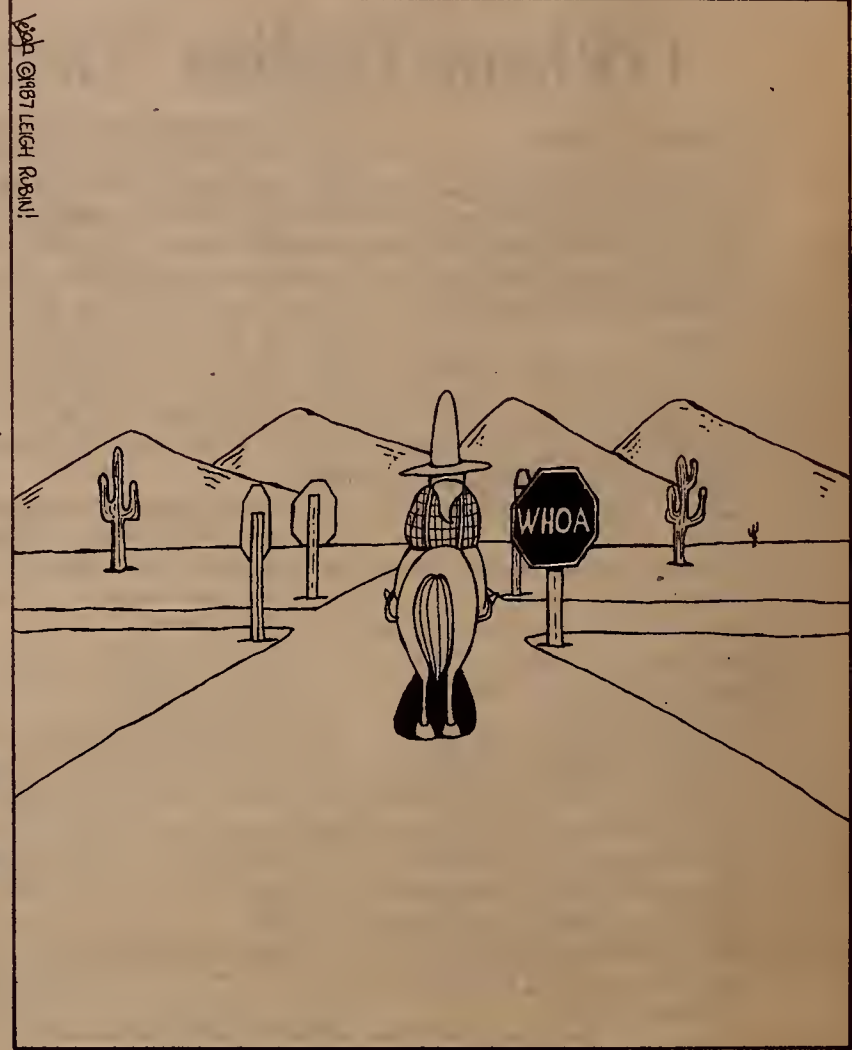
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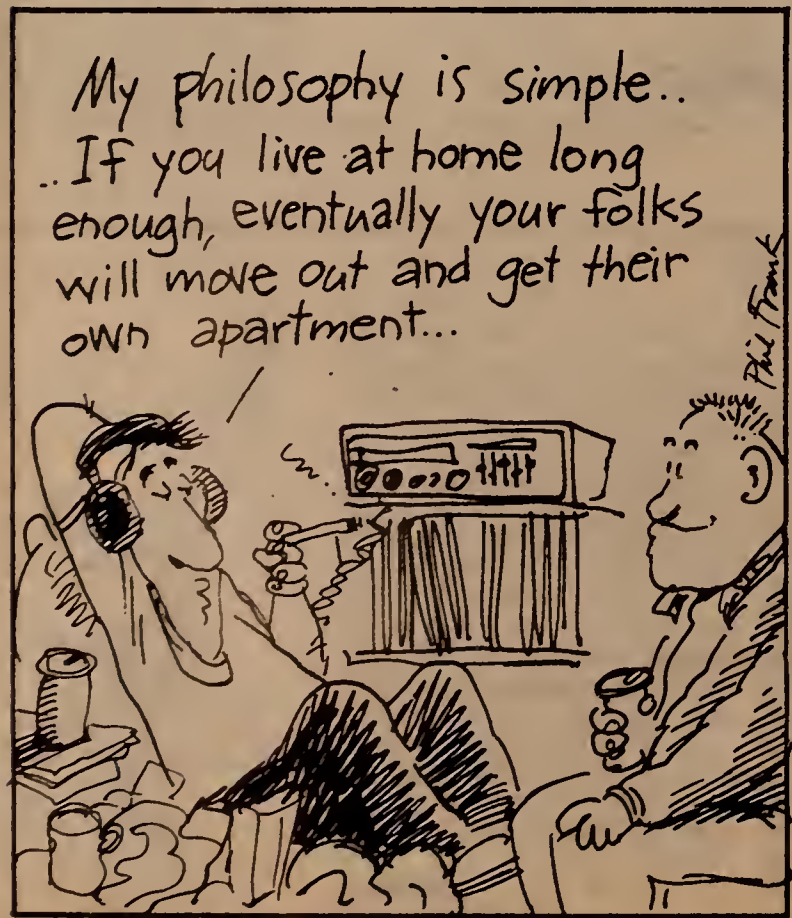
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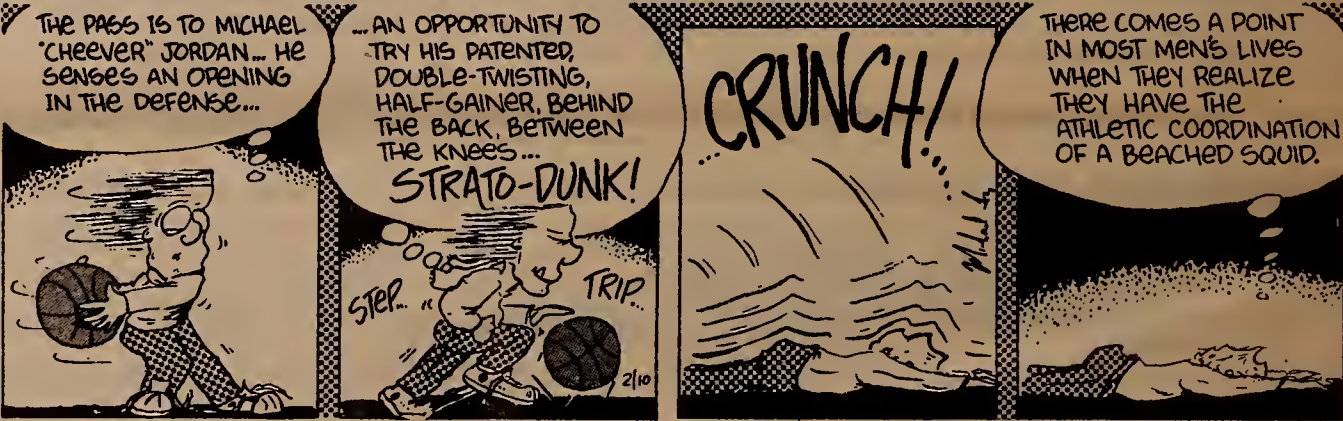
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# ARTS/ENTERTAINMENT

## Fatal Attraction Loses Deadly Purpose

by Tom Morrow

Glenn Close plays Alex Forrest, a svelte, blonde frizzy-haired editor of a New York publishing house, who unexpectedly meets a suave, chestnut-haired public defender in the new controversial Adrian Lynne film *Fatal Attraction*.

Michael Douglas dons a chic Brooks Brothers suit and tie, portraying a yuppie lawyer who is abruptly sidetracked by Forrest's seductive advances at a cocktail party.

Realizing their instant compatibility, the two pair off, making hot, breathtaking, passionate love in a public elevator while ascending to Close's tree-topped Manhattan apartment.

After a few days of perpetual ultimate bliss, Douglas sheds his rose-colored glasses and reveals his marital commitments to a devoted

wife (Anne Archer) and his daughter.

Hearing a lot of great things from various sources, I went to view this popular film with an open state of mind but I left the theater with a sense of real boredom and disappointment.

This movie did contain some wonderfully dramatic and suspenseful moments shot in a kaleidoscope of radiant colors by director Lynne.

The first hour and a half dragged its tail like a wounded dog as the dialogue was poorly constructed and bordered on the silly and ridiculous.

Instead of a couple of amorous lovebirds, Close and Douglas resembled stiff cardboard characters whispering romantic sweet-nothings into each other's ear. This flick also had a feel of a made for TV movie. I kept thinking the melodramatic scene would end with an irritating commercial.

Luckily, the last half of the film was like a cool breeze on a humid day. As the suspense and action content of the show increased, I found it incredibly opportune and more satisfying.

The actor's fortunately saved this movie from being totally disastrous as well. Close gave a witty, chilling, knife-wielding performance while Douglas was debonair with his boyish good looks and charm.

Anne Archer has to be given some credit also as she was marvelous as a sexy house wife torn between Douglas and his insane mistress, trying to be as cool and collected as possible.

On the whole, *Fatal Attraction* did contain some magical, entertaining sparks but it lost its energetic purpose.

## She's Starting to Feel at Home

by Pat Hess

Perhaps I was trying to disprove the adage that says you can't teach an old dog new tricks. Perhaps I was just bowing to pressure from a college educated husband and children who had been urging me for years to try a college level course. Perhaps I had simply run out of feeble excuses, such as working all day or too many other things to do, which were really a mask for fear of failure.

Whatever the reason, about a year ago I found myself, a more than middle aged wife and mother but certainly never a college girl, standing at the last possible moment in the registration office of the local college.

I sheepishly asked if I could register for one music course. I waited for the look on the clerk's face that would tell me it was the most ridiculous thing she had ever heard. She seemed to accept this strange notion calmly, took my money, and even told me there were lots of "older" people around. I left in high spirits.

My euphoria didn't last long; the next stop was the bookstore. In my neat work suit and tidy heels I joined the line of jeans-and-sneaker-clad, fresh-faced youngsters which trailed

out of the bookstore and down the hall. They seemed to be casting furtive glances in my direction.

Maybe they would think I was getting books for one of my own teenage students. Trying to convey the impression of being quite accustomed to this boring wait for books, I managed to maintain a casual air long enough to acquire my one book before I bolted.

Glances through the text in the next few days assured me that I was quite probably unable to conquer the mysteries it contained. However, cheered on at work with "go for it, Mom" calls from my children, and of more restrained encouragement from my husband, I presented myself, stomach churning, at the door to the classroom. The book nearly slipped from my sweating palm. Amazingly, no one seemed astonished at my presence and before the class was over, I knew that it was not only going to be possible but a pleasure as well.

This fall the most difficult part of registration was choosing which course to take next. Perhaps not everything I try will have a happy result but the potential benefit certainly outweighs the risk.

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# SPORTS

## Men's Tennis Wraps Up Positive Year

### Find Groove After Year Layoff

by Tim Maguire

It's a success. After a one-year layoff, the FSC men's tennis team ended the season on the plus side. The team ended the season at 6-4, (4-3 in league play) after dropping a match to national power Coast Guard Academy 9-0 before thrashing the Pirates of Mass Maritime 8-1. In the final victory of FSC's season, play was dominated by each and every individual. They won every match except for one of the doubles matches. Jeff Przekowpowski got the ball rolling, as he slammed Scott Traver 6-1, 6-3. Once again, Goerge Schroeder dropped his opponent, this time John Lamba 6-2, 6-1. In the third spot, senior Captain Scott Bodamer creamed Chris Hall 6-0, 6-1 in his final victory as an FSC netster. Tony Vaillancourt made quick work of Kyle McCabe 6-2, 6-0 as did

Scott Eaton of his opponent Andy Desjardi6-1, 6-0 in the fifth spot. In the final singles spot, Phil Dumas cruised to a 6-0, 6-1 victory over Peter Martin. In doubles with the match already won FSC went with the youth. After Steve Brideou and Brad Staples lost their match, Jay Capers and George Snow rolled to a 6-3, 6-4 victory. Then in the final victorious match of the season, Andy Smyth and Dave Vallee posted a 6-1, 6-1 victory over Tom Sayess and Dan Meyers. After rolling over Mass Maritime, FSC marched into Connecticut to take on Coast Guard, one of the better tennis teams in the country. FSC was overmatched and beaten soundly. Congratulations to FSC's no. 1 and 2 men: Jeff Przekowpowski and George Schroeder on a brilliant year in singles and doubles and to FSC Captain Scott Bodamer who had a fine tennis career at FSC.

## Field Hockey Takes Two Top Simmons, Framingham

by Rich Levy

The FSC field hockey team had a productive week, winning two out of three games en route to raising their record to 4-12. At Simmons College, the Lady Falcons scored goals in each half winning 2-0. Patti Ricci scored the first goal at 31 seconds of the first half. Linda Pellegrino added the insurance goal at 15:00 of the second half to clinch the victory for FSC. Cathy O'Rourke recorded the shutout with 14 saves as coach Amy Goulding's team played an excellent all-around game. Halfback Jenni Bourget had a terrific game at defense foiling a few Simmons rushes. Away at Framingham State, the Lady Falcons won again 3-0 as Lisa Waters netted a hat trick in a tremendous game. O'Rourke turned in another shutout recording six saves as FSC played an excellent game.

Assisting on the goals were Lisa Sacco, Pellegrino and Ricci. After two decisive road wins, FSC came back home hoping to keep to their winning ways. Clark University had other plans though, defeating the home team 2-0 in a hard fought game. The first period clearly belonged to Clark even though the shots on goal were even at six each. Clark's first goal came at 2:30 of the first half by Tracy Manscum. The second half was more evenly played as FSC put four shots on net to Clark's two. At 26:00 of the half FSC received a break gaining a penalty stroke. Ricci took the shot but the Clark goalie made an excellent save on Ricci's wrist shot. Then a minute later, Clark took a penalty shot and this one trickled past goalie Cathy O'Rourke. Despite the loss, the lady Falcons played a good game against a bigger and faster Clark team.



The FSC field hockey team takes on Clark University at home.

## Worcester Sneaks by FSC, 12-6

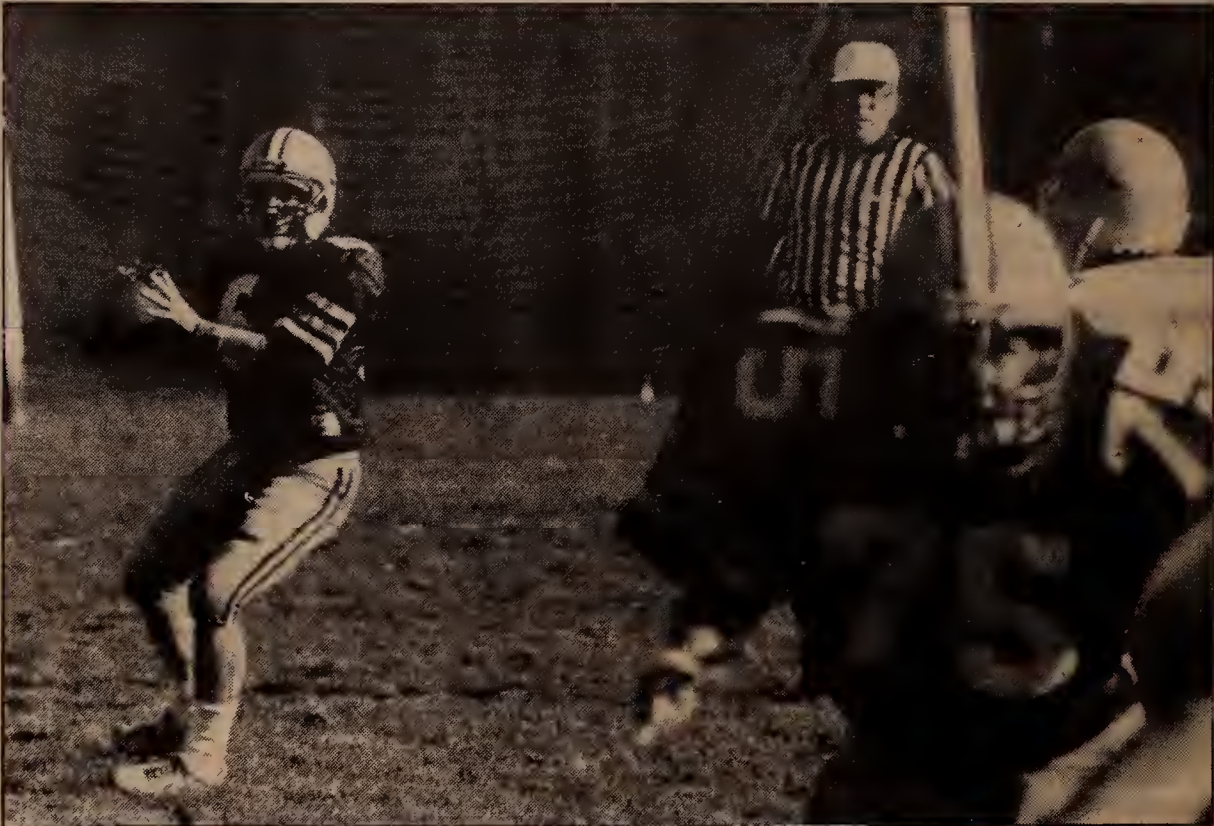
### Falcon Defense Turns In Stellar Play

by Andy Baron

There was nothing tricky about Saturday's matchup between Fitchburg State and Worcester State on Halloween day. Instead, a straightforward defensive battle took place at Elliot Field, with the visiting Lancers beating the winless Falcons 12-6. "Our guys just played super defense," said FSC head coach Dave Secino. "The defense has done a great job all year." Unfortunately, the Falcon offense sputtered, gaining only 68 total yards on the day. WSC totaled 248 yards with 105 all-purpose yards coming from running back John Smith.

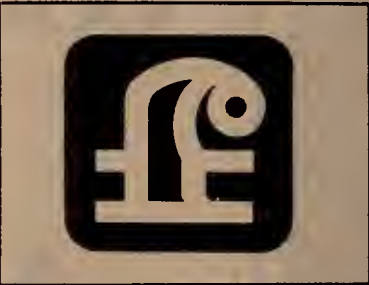
Smith would later haunt the Falcons in the final quarter. With just over a minute expired in the first quarter, WSC's Tom Brown (3 carries for 63 yards) broke loose for a 59-yard touchdown run. The conversion kick failed and the Lancers jumped out to a 6-0 lead. That score would remain unchanged until late in the fourth quarter. In between, the Falcon defense recovered four fumbles, intercepted two passes (Pat Malone and Jim Carven) and sacked Worcester's quarterback a handful of times. With 6:21 left in the fourth quarter, FSC's Chris Maloney (16-26) rumbled in from one yard out to knot the game at 6-6. Butch Nadeau's conversion kick was then blocked.

"Getting the kick blocked was a real downer," Secino said. "I thought a 7-6 lead would have been enough to hold them off." Four minutes later, though, Smith was on the receiving end of a 42-yard pass play resulting in the final score. "We were real disappointed," he continued. "The win was so close...all in all, it's been a positive year for us." Turning in strong performances for the Falcons were Nadeau (four receptions for 58 yards) and the defensive corps of Mark Messina, John Jangro, Mike Connolly and Bob Napoli. The Falcons closed out the regular season against host Westfield State last Saturday.



Strobe photo by James Modafferi

FSC quarterback Brian Murray sets to pass against visiting Worcester State recently.



## Falcon Runs Rampant



Strobe photo by Brian Quinn